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SUBJ: UN ENTRY OF TWO GERMAN STATES

REF: BONN' S 6722

1. GRATIFIED LEARN THAT UK PREFERS REFERENCE OF TWO GERMAN APPLICATIONS TO SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE, WHICH AS POINTED OUT EARLIER, IS CURRENT NORMAL PRACTICE. HOWEVER, CROWMARTIE' S READING WITH REGARD TO DAMPENING DOWN PUBLIC DEBATE IN SC IS A LITTLE OPTIMISTIC. IN SUCH RECENT CASES AS BHUTAN AND PERSIAN GULF STATES, AN APPLICATION HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE WHICH HAS THEN PRODUCED A RECOMMENDATION CONTAINING DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE SC. TYPICALLY, THE RECOMMENDATION CONFIDENTIAL

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MERELY STATES THAT THE COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP DECIDES TO RECOMMEND TO THE SC A DRAFT RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT THE SC, HAVING EXAMINED THE APPLICATION OF BLANK FOR ADMISSION TO THE UN, RECOMMENDS TO THE GA THAT BLANK SHOULD BE ADMITTED

TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE UN. THERE ARE NO SPONSORS; THE MEMBER-SHIP COMMITTEE ITSELF AUTHORS THE RECOMMENDATION. BY CONTRAST, HOWEVER, WHEN THE BA HAD FULL SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITY. IF LYON ASSOCIATES IS REALLY SERIOUS ABOUT THIS MATTER, EMBASSY MUST IMMEDIATELY LOOK TO OTHER A & E FIRMS FOR ASSISTANCE ON THIS DIFFICULT AND COMPLICATED PROJECT.

4. COMMENTS.

A. IT IS KNOWN THAT THE OLD BUILDING IS SUPPORTED BY TWO SPLICED SIX INCH ROUND BY 6- METER LONG TIMBER PILES. THE TIMBER SPLICE DETAIL IS UNKNOWN . THESE PILES ARE BEING DRAGGED DOWN WITH THE GROUND CREATING NEGATIVE FRICTION ON THE PILES.

B. THE REPORT STATES THAT THE SPLICE OF TIMBER PILE COULD FAIL IN TENSION UNDER INCREASING NEGATIVE FRICTION ON THE PILE. IF SEPARATION IS NOT MADE IN TIME THERE IS ALSO THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE TIMBER PILES MAY PULL OUT OF THE FOUNDATIONS DUE TO SHORT EMBEDMENT IN THE PILE CAPS.

C. IN VIEW OF THE OBSERVATIONS ABOVE, IS IT THEREFORE WORTH TAKING THE RISK IN SEPARATING THE BUILDING IMMEDIATELY WITHOUT WAITING FOR THE UNDERPINNING WORK? LYON ASSOCIATES BY RECOMMENDING IMMEDIATE ACTION ON SEPARATION ARE RECOMMENDING THIS AS THE SOLUTION WITH THE LEAST RISK.

5. OPTIONS.

FBO/ BK AND EMBASSY AGREE WITH LYONS EVALUATION OF SERIOUSNESS OF SITUATION AND NEED FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION. THERE ARE SEVERAL OPTIONS: (A) APPROVE GIVING LYON ASSOCIATES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR TURN- KEY PROJECT; (B) IF LYON REFUSE OPTION (A) GIVE FULL RESPONSIBILITY TO ANOTHER A & E FIRM; (C) A JOINT EFFORT WITH LYONS IN WHICH FBO/ BK WOULD SUPERVISE CERTAIN ASPECTS OF PROJECT AND THUS REDUCE CONTRACT COST; OR (D) IF LYONS REFUSE OPTION (C) WORK ON JOINT VENTURE WITH ANOTHER A & E FIRM. THE LEAST EXPENSIVE OPTION WILL BE THE OPTION THAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THE LEAST TIME GIVEN THE DAILY INCREASE IN STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. IF TOTAL TIME FOR COMPLETION OF PROJECT IS SAME UNDER OPTIONS
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(D) OR (D) THESE OPTIONS WILL BE LESS EXPENSIVE THAN OPTIONS (A) AND (B).

6. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF OPTION (C) OR (D)

A. SEPARATE AMBASSADOR' S STAIRWAY IMMEDIATELY TO RELIEVE UPPER FLOORS OF OLD BUILDING FROM ADDITIONAL TWISTING ACTION. THIS SEPARATION WORK CAN BE DONE IN ONE WEEKEND UNDER SUPERVISION OF FBO/ BK WITHOUT USING AS CONSULTANTS FOR APPROXIMATELY \$1,500. MSGS NOT REQUIRED. IF AFTER SEPARATION, STAIRWAY

STILL USABLE FOR EMERGENCY PURPOSES, DEFER DEMOLITION
UNTIL NEW STAIRWAY IS CONSTRUCTED.

B. SEPARATION OF END BAYS TO FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER. IN
THIS CONNECTION, DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO AUTHORIZE EMBASSY TO
HAVE LYON ASSOCIATES PREPARE NEW DRAWINGS OR MODIFY SEPARATION
DESIGN DRAWINGS UNDER AMENDMENT ON. 3 TO CONTRACT S48- FBO-555.
THE LATTER DRAWINGS WERE SUBMITTED TO DEPARTMENT UNDER COVERING
OM DATED NOVEMBER 16, 1972 AND WERE REJECTED BY DEPARTMENT'S
TELEGRAM 017382, PARA 5. DRAWINGS AND/ OR SPECIFICATIONS TO
INDICATE STEP- BY- STEP PROCEDURES IN EFFECTING SEPARATION.

C. SEPARATION WORK IN ITEM 6 B ABOVE CAN BE SUPERVISED BY FBO/ BKK
WITH LYON ASSOCIATES AS CONSULTANT. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT
UNDER SUBJECT CONTRACT LYON ASSOCIATES DID NOT ACCEPT ANY RES-
PONSIBILITY IF BUILDING COLLAPSED DURING AND AFTER THEIR
DEMOLITION WORK. MOST PROBABLY LYON ASSOCIATES WILL NOT ALSO ASSUME
ANY RESPONSIBILITY IN EVENT THEY UNDERTAKE THE SEPARATION PROJECT.

7. URGE SOONEST POSSIBLE REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF LYON'S REPORT.
IF A/ FBO AFTER REVIEWING REPORT NOT CONVINCED SITUATION AS SERIOUS
AS LYON CONTENDS, PLEASE ADVISE. OTHERWISE REQUEST AUTHORIZATION
SOONEST TO PROCEED IMMEDIATELY WITH WORK DESCRIBED PARA 6 A AND
WITHIN 30 DAYS WITH WORK DESCRIBED PARAGRAPH 6 B.

8. MR. MASKALIUNAS WILL BE AT THEIR MAIN OFFICE IN MCLEAN,
VIRGINIA ABOUT MAY 31. A/ FBO CAN CONTACT HIM THROUGH MR. JAMES
TRAYLOR FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS ON LYON'S REPORT.

9. UNDERSTAND OBTAINING MSG ON SHORT NOTICE MAY BE DIFFICULT.
THUS IF COMMENCING WORK DURING FIRST WEEK JUNE OR BEFORE IS
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POSSIBILITY, REQUEST A/ FBO CONTACT BY IMMEDIATELY ABOUT MSG
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